

Regional labour force – Central Queensland SA4, Jan 25

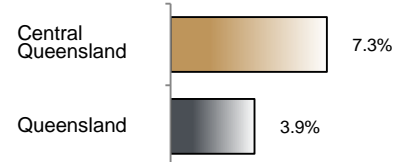
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Table 1 Labour force status, Central Queensland SA4

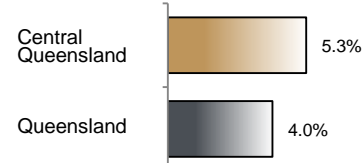
	Year ending			Annual change	
	Jan 24	Dec 24	Jan 25	persons	%
	— persons —			persons	%
Total employed	122,900	131,200	131,800	8,900	7.3
Total unemployed	6,300	7,100	7,300	1,000	16.5
Total labour force	129,200	138,300	139,100	10,000	7.7
Not in the labour force	60,400	54,400	53,800	-6,500	-10.8
Total persons 15+	189,500	192,700	193,000	3,400	1.8
Participation rate (%)	68.2	71.8	72.1	..	3.9 (a)
Unemployment rate (%)	4.9	5.1	5.3	..	0.4 (a)

(a) Percentage point change.

Employment growth, annual



Unemployment rate



Key data

Employment (annual change)..... ↑ 7.3%
 Unemployment rate 5.3%
 Unemployment rate (annual change) ↑ 0.4 ppt
 Participation rate..... 72.1%

ppt = percentage point

Main findings

Note: Due to the high standard errors associated with regional labour force direct survey estimates, the ABS and QGSO recommend using 12-month averages to reduce the volatility of the underlying original data.

All data in this brief are based on 12-month moving averages of direct survey estimates.

- The number of employed persons in Central Queensland SA4 in January 2025 was 131,800 persons, an increase of 8,900 employed persons, or 7.3% over the year (Figure 1).
- The unemployment rate in Central Queensland SA4 in January 2025 was 5.3 per cent, an increase of 0.4 percentage point over the year. The unemployment rate for this area was the fourth-highest of all 19 SA4s within Queensland (Figure 2).
- The participation rate in Central Queensland SA4 in January 2025 was 72.1 per cent, an increase of 3.9 percentage points over the year (Table 1).

SA4 = Statistical Area Level 4 (ASGS 2016 edition)

Notes (refer to website for more detailed notes):

Data for Queensland as a whole are provided for reference purposes only.

The labour force statistics presented in this brief are on a sample basis and will include a sampling error.

Totals may differ due to rounding. Figures are rounded to nearest 100 persons. Calculations are based on pre-rounded figures.

Figure 1 Annual change in employment, Central Queensland SA4

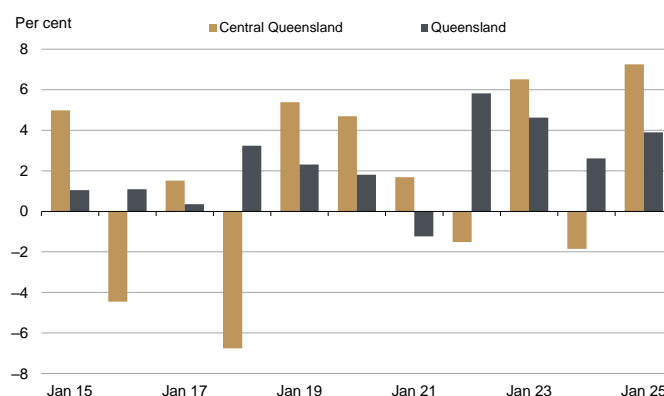


Figure 2 Unemployment rate by SA4, January 2025

